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Town Officers, 1919-20

Selectmen

C. B. EVANS

FRANK N. EDWARDS

C. D. PEABODY

Treasurer

CHAS. H. EVANS

Town Clerk

LAWRENCE E. PHILBROOK

Collector

JAMES B. EVANS

Road Agent

JOHN A. LEIGHTON

Supervisors of Check List

JAMES B. EVANS

MARK RIX

HARRIS McKEEN

Moderator

RALPH I. PEABODY

Auditors

LAWRENCE E. PHILBROOK

ROBERT C. CROCKETT

The State of New Hampshire

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Shelburne, in
[L. S.] the County of Coos, in said State, qualified to
vote in Town Affairs.*

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall, in said Shelburne, on Tuesday, the ninth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for the same.
3. To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for highways and bridges.
4. To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for State aid construction.
5. To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for State aid maintenance.
6. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to distribute the inventory blanks when taking the inventory.
7. To hear report of town officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
8. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this eleventh day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty.

C. B. EVANS,
F. N. EDWARDS,
C. D. PEABODY,
Selectman of Shelburne.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

C. B. EVANS,
Selectmen of Shelburne.

Inventory of the Town

April 1, 1919

Real estate	\$532,922 00
134 horses.....	22,950 00
119 cows	8,015 00
19 neat stock.....	795 00
14 sheep.....	265 00
20 hogs.....	400 00
13 vehicles and automobiles.....	4,550 00
4 portable mills.....	700 00
Wood and lumber.....	1,740 00
Stocks in banks	1,000 00
Money on hand or at interest.....	2,100 00
Mills and machinery.....	2,500 00
Stock in trade	1,000 00

\$578,942 00

Amount Raised April 1, 1919

State tax.....	\$2,196 00
County tax.....	1,283 43
War tax	488 00
School tax	2,022 80
Town charges	500 00
Highways and bridges.....	1,500 00
State construction.....	921 00
State aid maintenance	300 00
Library	16 00
State school supervision.....	90 00
Overlay	134 64

\$9,451 87

Rate \$1.60 per \$100.00 of valuation.

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

January 31, 1919.

C. B. EVANS,
FRANK N. EDWARDS,
C. D. PEABODY,

Selectmen of Shelburne.

CHARLES H. EVANS,

Treasurer.

Balance

Town of Shelburne

Assets

Cash

In hands of treasurer.....	\$820 03
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Accounts Due the Town

(a) Joint highway account unexpended

Balance in State treasury.....	287 95
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(b) Bounties.....	18 00
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Taxes uncollected

(a) Levy 1916.....	\$2 00
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(b) Levy 1917.....	4 00
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(c) Levy 1918.....	51 26
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(d) Levy 1919.....	1,240 53	\$1,297 79
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Grand total.....	\$2,423 77
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January 31, 1920

Liabilities**Accounts Owed by Town**

Due to school district

National Forest Reserve \$697 70

State and town joint highway account

(a) Unexpended balances in State treas'y . 287 95

(b) Unexpended balances in town treas'y 460 22

\$1,445 87

Excess assets over liabilities..... 977 90

Grand total..... \$2,423 77

UNIFORM Receipts and

Town of Shelburne

Current Revenue from Local Taxes

Amount committed to collector, 1919.....	\$9,451 87	
Less uncollected, 1919	1,240 53	
1. Property and polls actually collected, 1919		\$8,211 34
2. Uncollected taxes, previous years	744 80	
Less uncollected.....	57 26	
Property and poll taxes previously collected.....		687 54
Total of above collections		<u>\$8,898 88</u>

From State

3. For highways.		
4. (e) For State aid maintenance	\$335 00	
5. (b) For State aid construction	488 56	
6. Railroad tax	872 27	
7. Savings tax	382 87	
8. Bounties	19 20	
9. State National Forest Reserve	697 70	2,795 60
Total current revenue receipts		<u>\$11,694 48</u>

Receipts Other than Current Revenue

10. Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year....	3,500 00	
11. From Brown Co., rebate on bill	3 00	
12. Rent of town hall.....	26 00	
Total receipts from all sources		<u>\$15,223 48</u>
Cash on hand at beginning of year		616 04
Grand total.....		<u><u>\$15,839 52</u></u>

CLASSIFICATION

Payments

For the Year Ending January 31, 1920

Current Maintenance Expenses

1. Town officers' salaries.....	\$241 94	
2. Town officers' expenses.....	65 07	
5. Town hall insurance.....	30 00	
6. Protection of persons and prop- erty.....	3 00	
9. Bounties	18 00	\$358 01

Highways and Bridges

14. State aid maintenance.....	683 25	683 25
16. Town maintenance.....	1,658 50	1,658 50
19. Libraries	41 69	41 69
32. Interest.....	45 50	45 50
44. Payments on notes		
White Mountain National Bank	2,500 00	
Geo. E. Leighton, note.....	1,000 00	3,500 00
38. Outlay for new construction and improvements.....	1,955 99	1,955 99

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions

50. Taxes paid to the State	2,684 00	
51. Taxes paid to the County....	1,283 43	
53. Payments to the school district	2,504 59	
Taxes bought by the town.....	304 57	6,776 59
Total payments.....		\$15,019 49
Cash on hand at end of year...		820 03

Grand total.....		<u>\$15,839 52</u>
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Schedule of Town Property

Description

1.	Town Hall, land and buildings.....	\$1,000 00
	Furniture and equipment	110 00
2.	Libraries, lands and equipment—Furniture and equipment.....	40 00
5.	Highway department, lands, buildings and equipment—Equipment	200 00

Detail Statement of Receipts

1919.

Jan. 31, cash on hand..	\$ 616 04
Feb. 14, I. M. Head, rent town hall.....	12 00
March 1, from State bounty on wildcat	2 00
March 1, from State bounty on hedgehogs....	12 20
March 1, from State bounty on bear.....	5 00
March 11, from Brown Company.....	3 00
March 11, from C. D. Peabody, collector 1918	217 28
May 11, from C. D. Peabody, collector 1918...	127 02
June 21, from Geo. E. Leighton, note.....	1,000 00
Aug. 29, from White Mt. National Bank, note	2,500 00
Sept. 1, from State aid maintenance.....	35 00
Sept. 29, from State aid maintenance.....	200 00
Dec. 1, from State aid maintenance.....	100 00
Dec. 1, from State railroad tax.....	872 27
Dec. 1, from State Savings Bank tax.	382 87
Dec. 29, from State construction.....	250 00
March 31, from J. B. Evans, collector 1919....	53 00
July 5, from J. B. Evans, collector 1919.....	30 96
Aug. 2, from J. B. Evans, collector 1919.....	55 60
Sept. 20, from J. B. Evans, collector 1919.....	696 00
Oct. 4, from J. B. Evans, collector 1919.....	56 00
Oct. 11 from J. B. Evans, collector 1919.....	4,803 00
Nov. 14, from J. B. Evans. collector 1919.	862 20
Dec. 6, from J. B. Evans, collector 1919.....	1,012 16
Dec. 27, from J. B. Evans, collector 1919.....	301 87

1920.

Jan. 5, from State National Forest Reserve...	697 70
Jan. 30, from C. D. Peabody, collector 1918.....	343 24
Jan. 30, from J. B. Evans, collector 1919.....	340 55
Jan. 30, from Harris McKeen, rent of hall.....	14 00
Jan. 30, from State aid, construction.....	238 56

\$ 15,839 52

Detail Statement of Payments

DETAIL 1

Salaries of Town Officers

C. B. Evans, Selectman.....	\$ 50 00
Frank N. Edwards, Selectman.....	40 00
C. D. Peabody, Selectman.....	35 00
C. H. Evans, Treasurer.....	25 00
James B. Evans, Collector.....	82 06
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	\$ 232 06

DETAIL 2

Town Officers' Expenses

Franklin Printery, Town Reports..	\$ 57 75
Frank Edwards, automobile.....	3 00
C. B. Evans, supplies..	51
R. I. Peabody, moderator.....	3 00
Edson Eastman, supplies.....	3 81
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	\$ 68 07

DETAIL 8

Bounties

C. B. Evans, 20 hedgehogs.....	\$ 4 00
Mark Rix, 2 bears.....	10 00
Frank N. Edward, 7 hedgehogs.....	1 40
C. D. Peabody, 13 hedgehogs.....	2 60
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	\$ 18 00

DETAIL 4

State Aid Maintenance

Arthur Wilson, patrol.....	\$ 209 63
C. D Peabody, patrol graveling.....	473 62
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	\$ 683 25

Town Maintenance

DETAIL 5

Snow Roads

C. D. Peabody, labor.....	\$	60	94
C. D. Peabody, labor... ..		16	25
R. I. Peabody, labor.....		16	25
C. B. Evans, labor.....		16	25
	\$	109	69

DETAIL 6

Summer Roads

J. A. Leighton, labor.	\$	781	62
A. E. Philbrook, cottage roads....		10	00
Arthur Wilson, town patrol.. ..		100	75
C. B. Evans, freight on lumber.....		23	20
P. S. Little, blacksmithing		29	41
F. L. Blake, screen.....		5	00
C. G. Hamlin, supplies.		7	71
C. D. Peabody, express and freight		4	21
Brown Company, lumber.....		417	32
E. Libby & Sons, lumber.....		114	13
Eclipse Paint & Mfg. Co., paint....		26	60
J. B. Evans, McAllister wheels.....		5	00
C. B. Evans, lumber.....		12	00
J. A. Leighton, express.....		1	86
A. E. Philbrook, cottage road.....		10	00
	\$	1,658	50

DETAIL 38

State Aid Construction

C. D. Peabody.	\$	1,955	99
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DETAIL 50

Taxes paid to State.....	\$	2,684	00
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DETAIL 51

Taxes paid to the County.....	\$ 1,283 43
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DETAIL 53

Payments to School Treasurer.. ..	\$ 2,504 59
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DETAIL 19

Loring, Short & Harmon, books.....	\$ 16 69
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May Taylor, salary.....	25 00
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\$	41 69

School Officers, 1919-20

School Board

JAMES SIMPSON*

EVA B. EDWARDS

MAUD G. RIX

Treasurer

CHARLES H. EVANS

Clerk

JAMES B. EVANS

Moderator

MARK S. RIX

Superintendent

A. W. BUSHNELL

*Deceased

State of New Hampshire

[i. s.] *To the Inhabitants of the School District of Shelburne qualified to vote in district affairs.*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in Shelburne, in said district, on Tuesday, March 9, A. D. 1920, at three of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects, viz.:

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.
4. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing two years.
5. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.
6. To see if the district will vote to make any alterations in the report of the school board recommending the amount of money required for the support of schools and payment of statutory obligations.
7. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise for salaries of the school board and other district officers, superintendent's salary and expenses, truant officer and school census, and other expenses of administration.
8. To see if the district will vote to apply the money received from the Forest Reserve to make permanent improvements in the structure and equipment of its school buildings.
9. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Shelburne this seventh day of February, A. D. 1920.

MAUD G. RIX,
EVA B. EDWARDS,
School Board of Shelburne.

Financial Report of School Board

FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1919

Current Revenue

Amount required by law to be raised for schools, 1918	\$817 50
Additional amount voted at school meeting, 1918	1,059 80
Amount assessed to pay for necessary school books and supplies	150 00
Amount assessed to pay tuition at high school	150 00
Amount assessed to pay for flags and appurtenances	5 00
Amount assessed for salaries and expenses of district officers	40 00
Amount of literary fund received from state December, 1918	38 35
Amount received from State for district superintendent	65 22
Amount received from Forest Reserve fund (two years' payments)	879 49
Amount received from dog licenses	00 00
Amount from other sources (rebate for freight on seats)	14 26
Total current revenue	\$3,219 62

Current Expenditures

Administration

Salaries of district officers	\$40 00	
Superintendent's salary	130 44	
Truant officer and school census	4 50	
Other expenses of administration	6 78	\$181 72

Instruction

Teachers' salaries	\$940 00
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Text-books	28 08	
Scholars' supplies.....	7 49	
Flags and appurtenances.....	7 50	
Other expenses of instruction.....	7 40	990 47

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant

Janitor service.....	\$51 05	
Fuel.....	60 00	
Water, light and janitor's supplies.	6 42	
Minor repairs and expenses (in- cluding new desks, blackboards, etc	\$358 27	475 74

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities

Transportation of pupils.....	\$393 75	
High school tuition.....	210 00	603 75

Debt, Interest and Other Charges

Deficit in last year's account	689 62	689 62
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	\$2,941 30	\$2,941 30
Balance on hand August 31, 1919		\$278 32
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Grand total		\$3,219 62

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for First Five Months of Current Year

(September 1, 1919—January 31, 1920)

Current Revenue

Balance from last year	\$278 32
Amount raised in school meeting, April, 1919	2,022 80
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Total	\$2,301 12

Current Expenditures

Administration

Superintendent's salary.....	\$96 00	
Superintendent's expenses	4 30	
Other expenses of administration...	22 11	\$122 41

Instruction

Teachers' salaries.....	\$616 00	
Textbooks	47 14	
Scholars' supplies.....	8 11	671 25

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant

Janitor service.....	\$25 50	
Fuel	28 09	
Janitor's supplies.....	33 24	
Minor repairs and expenses.....	72 88	159 71

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities

Transportation of pupils.....	\$150 00	150 00
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Fixed Charges

Insurance.....	\$40 00	40 00
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Outlay for Construction and Equipment

New equipment (heating plant at village school, new maps).....	\$189 11	189 11
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	\$1,332 48	\$1,332 48
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Balance on hand January 31, 1920		968 64
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Grand total.....		\$2,301 12
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School Board's Budget in Detail for 1920-21**Administration**

1. Salaries of district officers.....	\$40 00	
2. Superintendent's excess salary and expenses.....	60 00	
3. Truant officer and school census	5 00	
4. Other expenses of administration (telephone calls, printing, postage, etc)	10 00	\$115 00

Instruction

5. Teachers' salaries.....	\$1,400 00	
6. Textbooks	50 00	
7. Scholars' supplies.....	50 00	

8.	Flags and appurtenances.....	5 00	
9.	Other expenses of instruction (report cards, tests, etc.).....	5 00	1,510 00
Operation and Maintenance of School Plant			
10.	Janitor service..	\$100 00	
11.	Fuel	120 00	
12.	Water, light and janitor's supplies.....	40 00	
13.	Minor repairs and expenses...	10 00	270 00
Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities			
14.	Medical inspection.....	\$25 00	
15.	Transportation of pupils.....	300 00	
16.	High school tuition.....	360 00	
18.	Other special activities (play apparatus, libraries).....	20 00	705 00
Outlay for Construction and Equipment			
22.	Alteration of old buildings and new equipment (see note below).*		
Debt, Interest and Other Charges			
26.	Tax for State-wide supervision (\$2.00 per capita).....	\$100 00	100 00
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		\$2,700 00	\$2,700 00

Items numbered 5 to 18, inclusive, and item 26, may be considered as a requisition, and the total amount of these items (\$2,585.00) will be assessed by the selectmen as reported above, unless the district votes to make some change in them.

Items 1 to 4 should be provided for by vote of the district, and an article is inserted in the warrant to take care of these items.

*It is recommended that Item 22 be taken care of by using the money received from the Forest Reserve for this purpose. If this is not done, special appropriation should be made.

Summary of School Board's Budget and Recommendations

Annual report of School Board required by law, stating amount of money needed for support of schools and for statutory requirements for school year beginning September 1, 1920. (Laws of 1919, 106:21.)

I. Budget (School Money)

	Elementary Schools	High Schools
(a) For support of schools (items 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18 on preceeding page)	\$ 2,020 00	
(b) For the purchase of text books and scholars' sup- plies.	100 00	
(c) For the purchase of flags and appurtenances.....	5 00	
(d) For the payment of high school tuition.....		\$ 360 00
(e) Total amount required for above items.....	\$ 2,125 00	\$ 360 00
(f) Estimate of amount of a \$5.00 tax on 1920 inventory...	\$ 2,894 71	

II. Requirements to Meet Budget

(a) For support of elemen- tary schools.....	\$ 2,125 00
(b) For high school tui- tions	360 00
Total for support of all schools (school money).....	\$ 2,485 00

III. School Board Report of Assessment Required

(1) For the support of schools and the purchase of required books, supplies and flags, and the payment of high school tuition.....	\$ 2,485 00
Estimate of \$3.50 tax on 1920 inventory.....	\$ 2,026 30
Estimate of additional sums needed	458 70
(2) For the payment of the per capita tax (required by law)	100 00
Total.....	\$ 2,585 00

IV. Additional Recommendations

In addition to the above assessment, the Board recommends that the district raise and appropriate the sum of \$115.00 for expenses of administration, as outlined on the preceding page.

In the opinion of the Board a certain sum each year should be invested in permanent improvements of buildings and equipment. It is the policy of some districts to appropriate each year enough to put one building in first-class shape according to modern standards, the cost being about \$500. Instead of raising money for this purpose, the Board recommends that the money received annually from the Forest Reserve be expended in this way. If, however, the district does not see fit thus to dispose of this fund, it is recommended that \$250.00 be raised at the school meeting for permanent improvements of buildings and equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

MAUD G. RIX,

EVA B. EDWARDS,

School Board of Shelburne.

Report of Superintendent

To the School Board and Citizens of Shelburne :

Herewith is presented my second annual report.

Attendance Statistics for 1918-1919

	Village School	Peabody School
Total half-days school was in session.....	338	333*
Membership		
Total number registered.....	24	17
Average membership.....	21	13
Attendance		
Average number pupils per day.....	20	11
Percent.	95*	85*
Absence		
Total half-days absence.....	456	511
Percent.....	5	15
Tardiness		
Total number tardinesses.....	20	65
Per pupil (average membership)	0.95‡	5.0‡
Number visits by Board members.....	3	6
Number visits by other citizens.....	7	35
Number visits by Superintendent.....	11	13

*Percent. attendance for State, 92.5 percent.

‡Tardinesses should not be over 1.5 per pupil.

Teaching Force

Village School

Peabody School

1918-1919.

Name	Elizabeth Goold.....	Amy B. Kenney
Training.....	Dartmouth Summer.....	Castine Normal School, one term
Experience.....	None.....	5 years
Salary.....	\$12.50 per week.....	\$13.50 per week

	Village School	Peabody School
1919-1920.		
Name.....	Winnifred Spiller	Elsie M. Brown
Training.....	Plymouth Normal.....	Plymouth Normal
	6 weeks	6 weeks
Experience. ..	None.....	2 years
Salary.....	\$15.00 per week.. ..	\$15.00 per week

Honor Roll

The following pupils have been present every half-day during 1918-1919 without being tardy :

Raymond Hayes Florence Hayes
 Chester Hayes

Comment on Statistics

For the past two years, and up to date during the present year, the record of attendance and tardiness at the Peabody school has been very low. A consistent and thorough effort on the part of the parents of children who attend that school is the only thing that will remedy this. Habits of absence and tardiness ought not to be so cultivated in school children.

At the present time a majority of the pupils attending the Peabody school would be better served if school were opened in the Philbrook school. If this situation continues, it is recommended that the necessary repairs be made on the Philbrook schoolhouse this summer, and arrangements be made for transporting the pupils from the Peabody school district.

Educational Legislation

On March 28, 1919, New Hampshire put into effect a school law that has been hailed by the educational world generally as the best and most progressive educational legislation that has been incorporated in the statutes of any State. It provides that a State Board made up of business men shall administer the public schools

of the State as a business proposition. The organization of the school officials of the State now consists of (1) the State Board, with the Commissioner and his staff; (2) the Superintendents; (3) the local School Boards. The duties of each of these groups, and their relation to each other and to the public, are made clear in a pamphlet recently issued by the State Board, entitled "Proceedings at Joint Business Conference of Local School Boards and Superintendents with the State Board of Education, October 16, 1919." Anyone who is interested in the details of New Hampshire's new school law and the policies of the State Board would do well to procure and read carefully a copy of this pamphlet.

The law provides that "the school board of every district shall provide standard elementary schools." It further defines a "standard school" as follows:

SEC. 24. A standard school as that term is used in this act is one (1) maintained for at least thirty-six weeks in each year, (2) in a suitable and sanitary building, (3) equipped with approved furniture, books, maps and other necessary appliances, (4) taught by an approved teacher, (5) directed and supervised by an approved superintendent, (6) with suitable provision for the care of the health and physical welfare of all pupils.

Applying these standards to our local schools, it will be seen that (1) our schools are being maintained for the full year of thirty-six weeks; (2) our buildings have temporary approval (as commented upon later in this report); (3) our schools are equipped with suitable furniture (including adjustable desks and slate blackboards), books, maps, etc.; (4) both of our teachers hold licenses (see comments below on "teachers"); (5) the schools are supervised by an approved superintendent; and (6) our pupils have been examined by a physician and efforts are being made to have such defects as adenoids, decayed teeth, etc., remedied.

Teachers

Every teacher in the State this year holds a certificate, license or permit from the State Board of Education. A certificate is permanent unless revoked by the Commissioner, and is granted to elementary teachers with normal training or its equivalent, plus at least one year's experience. A license is good for one year, and is granted to teachers with some training or some experience. A permit is only temporary, and is seldom granted.

Teachers' salaries have been increasing rapidly for two years, and there is no doubt that they will be still higher next year. If Shelburne is to maintain or improve the quality of its teachers, it must be ready to pay them more money.

School Buildings

Following is a copy of the regulations for temporary approval of schoolhouses, issued by the State Board of Education May 21, 1919, for school year 1919-1920 only:

1. Lighting shall be principally from the pupils' left and rear and no windows shall be permitted in the front of any schoolroom. The ratio of window area to floor area shall be not less than one to five. Ceilings shall be white or light cream color, and curtains of a light tint shall be provided wherever needed.

2. Equipment for heating must be adequate to furnish a minimum temperature of 68 degrees and some provision must be made for ventilation without direct draft on the pupils.

3. Floors must be in good condition and oiled or swept with some dust-laying compound. Walls must be in good repair and painted some light color. Papered walls have only temporary approval.

4. Toilets must be decent and in sanitary condition. They must be located in buildings free from obscene

markings and furnishing proper privacy. The vaults must be fly-proof and properly ventilated. The seats should be provided with covers and in the boys' toilets a double seat or urinal should be provided. Single toilets for both sexes will not be approved except for small schools and then if the entrance is from the schoolroom only.

5. Water for drinking must be provided in properly covered receptacle with faucet or bubbler. Facilities for washing hands must also be provided. Common towels or drinking cups are prohibited by regulations of the State Board of Health.

6. Every schoolhouse must be provided, as required by law, with a flag and the proper means for displaying it.

7. This list of minimum requirements for temporary approval is intended to cover only such changes as are required to make schoolhouses decent and safe for children and in many cases will be less than has been already done. Full regulations for the permanent approval of schoolhouses will be prepared and placed in the hands of school boards before the budgets for the next school year are made up. These regulations will require the adoption of a progressive plan of schoolhouse betterment.

8. It is the duty of the School Board to see that all schoolhouses are properly cleaned and that they are kept in clean and sanitary condition by suitable janitor service. Vaults should be cleaned at least twice each year and some effective deodorant provided for constant use. Proper care of school buildings is as essential to their approval as their construction.

During the past summer and fall, in keeping with the above regulations, the following repairs and improvements have been made. A screen or partition, sufficiently high to shut off the light from the right of the pupils,

has been built in each school. Ceilings and walls have been painted a light color. Both schools are furnished with floor oil and disinfectant, and with simple but adequate washing facilities. The most striking improvement is the new heating and ventilating system at the village school. This is in fact a hot air furnace installed in one corner of the school room. Fresh air is taken from outdoors, heated, and distributed evenly over the room; then the foul air is drawn out through a 12-inch ventilating stack. The evenness of heating with this system is illustrated by actual measurements with a thermometer on a cold winter day. The temperature one foot away from the stove was just one degree higher than one foot away from the window at the farthest corner of the room.

To meet the minimum requirements as outlined above in will still be necessary to increase the window space at the village school and to supply light-colored curtains at both schools.

In the report of the School Board the recommendation is made that the Forest Reserve Fund be used for permanent improvements in buildings and equipment of our schools. In a very few years, if this is done, the Shelburne school houses can be made the equal of the very best rural schools in the State. Following are some of the details of such a policy of improvement.

1. More window space in the village school.
2. New curtains (shades) for both schools.
3. New heating system for the Peabody school (or Philbrook school if that is to be used next year).
4. Chemical toilets for both schools.
5. Purchase of a suitable covered van for transporting pupils.

Such a plan of systematic improvement of our school plant and teaching force would result in taking the schools of Shelburne out of the "fairly good" class and putting them into the class with "the best in the State."

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. BUSHNELL,

Superintendent.

In Memory of
James Simpson

faithful and efficient member
of the School Board
for many years

Died January the tenth
nineteen hundred and twenty

Births Registered in the Town of Shelburne, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1919.

Date of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex	Living or Stillborn	No. of Child	Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Color of each	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
June 28 Dec. 17	Mary Francis Hayes Mildred Collins		Living	9 4	w w	U C Hayes Geo. Collins	Lucy Davis Susanna Dill	w w	Shelburne	Farmer Electrician	Jackson, N. H. New Brunswick	Jefferson, N. H. Maine

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct return according to my best knowledge and belief.

LAWRENCE E. PHILBROOK, Town Clerk.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Shelburne, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1919

Date of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age			Place of Death	Sex	Color of each	Single, Married or Widowed	Occupation	Disease or Cause of Death	By Whom Reported
		Years	Months	Days							
April 26 July 8 Feb. 9 Sept. 23	Seymour C. McAllister Emma L. Leighton Alfred J. Smith John C. Wilson	49 64 63 69	3 3 3 69	2	Berlin Shelburne " "	m f m m	w w w w	m w m m	Carpenter Housewife Farmer	Internal injuries received in Ry. Accident Cancer of uterus Chronic Mitral Regurgitation	H. H. Bryant, Jr. H. H. Bryant, Jr. W. A. Parker H. H. Bryant, Jr.

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